GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

December 11, 2008





This letter responds to your administrative appeal (the "Appeal") to the Mayor under the District of Columbia Freedom of Information Act, D.C. Official Code, 2001 Ed. §§ 2-351 et seq. ("DC-FOIA"), dated July 1, 2008. We forwarded your appeal to the Washington Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) with a request for a response. MPD responded to the Appeal on December 3, 2008. The foregoing represents the appellate record, upon which this decision is based.

In your initial FOIA request, dated June 9, 2008, you requested, "access to and copies of all e-mails sent or received by the property of the provided to you in PDF from Feb. 1, 2008 until the present that make reference to "Safety Zone and/or Weinsheimer. You further requested that the requested information be provided to you in PDF format. MPD did not respond to your original request. By e-mail dated December 3, 2008, MPD responded to your appeal, indicating that it was providing you with the requested records but that it had redacted some of the information in the records pursuant to D.C. Official Code §2-534 (a)(2) because such disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. MPD further responded that it was withholding approximately 300 pages of e-mails because they were exempt from disclosure under D.C. Official Code § 2-534 (a)(4) and (e). Finally, MPD stated that it was withholding additional e-mails due to attorney-client privilege, under D.C. Official Code § 2-534(a)(4) and (e).

In light of the fact that MPD has responded to your FOIA request and provided you with the requested records, we find this appeal moot and hereby DISMISS your appeal.

If you are dissatisfied with this decision, you are free under the DC FOIA to commence a civil action against the District of Columbia government at any time in the District of Columbia Superior Court.

Sincerely, Hunka Alhopp

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Executive Office of the Mayor

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